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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 02/11/2009

To: Pittsburgh

From: Pittsburgh

Squad 9

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] *BS*

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Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending)
323E-PG-74802 (Pending) - 86

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
02/09/2009
WMD

Synopsis: Report on response to powder letter received at the offices of Senator Arlen Specter and opening of a case.

Details: On February 9, 2009, at approximately 1:00 p.m., FBI Pittsburgh was notified of the receipt of a letter containing an unidentified white powder at the office of Senator Arlen Specter, located at 425 Sixth Street, Suite 1450, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

Responding agencies included City of Pittsburgh Fire, City of Pittsburgh Hazmat, City of Pittsburgh Police, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and U.S. Postal Inspectors. *(152)*

The letter had been handled by a secretary in Senator Specter's office, and a small amount of a white unidentified substance fell from the envelope. At this time, the envelope was placed in a plastic bag and moved to an unoccupied room within the suite of offices. Above-captioned agencies responded and identified the addressee as:

Sen. Arlen Specter [sic]
425 Sixth Ave.
Pittsburgh, Pa, 15219

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To: Pittsburgh From: Pittsburgh
Re: 279B-PG-, 02/11/2009

The listed return address was:

America On The One
5572 Penn Ave.
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15206

The return address was identified by the city of Pittsburgh Police dispatch as a nonexistent address. The letter was postmarked from Pittsburgh, PA, on February 7, 2009. The envelope and letter were handwritten.

The language of the enclosed letter read as follows:

"Arlen
Get out of Government;
or you will be removed.

Thank you,
America"

A WMD Threat Assessment conference call was conducted by the WMD Coordinator with WMDOU and HMRU prior to any collection or testing being performed.

Approximately three tablespoons of an unidentified white powder was enclosed in the business-size envelope. The letter was field-screened with a multi-Rae tool and a Ludlum device. Readings for both tools were consistent with background readings. An infrared device reading resulted in a presumptive identification of the powder as 95.1 percent sweetener, dextrose or saccharin. A Bio-system check was negative for the existence of proteins, and pH readings were neutral. As such, the letter was deemed safe for transport.

Personnel within Senator Specter's office were requested by U.S. Capitol Police to stay on site until the field screening and testing of the powder was complete. Office personnel were provided a briefing by the WMD Coordinator concerning the initial field test results of the unidentified white powder. No recent threats or similar mailings had been previously received in the office. The office employee who had opened the letter did not experience any medical symptoms or reaction to the powder.

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The letter and unidentified white powder were overpacked and provided to FBI WMD Coordinator SA [REDACTED] for transport to the appropriate Laboratory Response Network Facility in Lionville, PA. A copy of the envelope and letter are attached to this communication.

Pittsburgh Division Hazardous Materials Response Team members drove the evidence to the Pennsylvania State Department of Health Laboratory Response Network (LRN) on 02/10/2009 for further testing. Initial results received indicate that the powder is negative for the multi panel PCR tests and negative for ricin on the Time Results Fluorescence (TRF) anti-body test. Results for the multi panel culture testing is expected in the next few days. Notifications will be provided to the appropriate persons upon completion of all testing.

An Urgent Report to the Director, SIOC and CT Watch dated 02/09/2009 was prepared and issued on this incident.

Writer requests this case be opened and assigned.

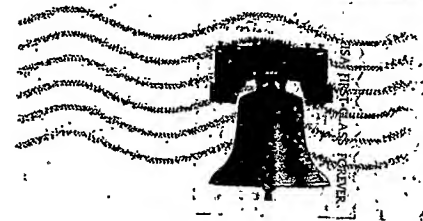
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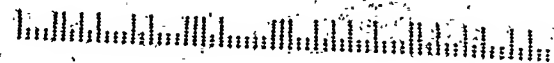
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Sen. Arlen Specter
425 Sixth Ave.
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15219

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Case ID: 279B-PG-77757

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D7	3	LAB#091022006 PO 23 TOTAL PGS COC COMM AND ACTIVITY LOG NOTES ECS SEARCH SLIP SHIPPING INVOICE
D7	4	LAB#091022006 1 PG LAB WORKSHEET 11 PGS INCOMING COMM 6 ADMIN PHOTOS 1 CD DIGITAL IMAGES 3 PGS COC 1 PG COMM AND ACTIVITY LOG 4 PGS NOTES 8 PHOTOS
PG	5	FD-192 FOR 1B1, 1B2, AND 1B3

File Number 279B-PG-77757-1A5Field Office Acquiring Evidence PittsburghSerial # of Originating Document 19Date Received 5-6-11b6
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(Name of Contributor/Interviewee)

(Address)

(City and State)

By b6
b7CTo Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ NoReceipt Given ☐ Yes ☐ NoGrand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6 (e)
Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure☐ Yes ☐ No

Federal Taxpayer Information (FTI)

☐ Yes ☐ No

Title:

Reference: _____
(Communication Enclosing Material)Description: ☐ Original notes re interview ofFD 192 for 1B1, 1B2 + 1B3

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Title and Character of Case:

SPECTER, ARLEN
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Date Property Acquired: 01/26/2011
Source from which Property Acquired:
FBI LABORATORY

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Anticipated Disposition: Acquired By:

Case Agent:

Description of Property:
1B 3

Date Entered

SECONDARY EVIDENCE
LAB NUMBER 091022006 PO
Q2 ONE (1) SLIDE

Barcode: E4747184

Location: ECR3

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Case Number: 279B-PG-77757
Owning Office: PITTSBURGH

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Case ID: 279B-PG-77757 IB: 3 Barcode: 24747184

7-264 (7-7-06)
FBI Laboratory Shipping Invoice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
2501 Investigation Parkway
Quantico, VA 22135

Date: 01/20/2011

To: FBI-Pittsburgh
Martha Dixon Bldg
3311 East Carson Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15203

ATTN: ECT

Telephone Number: (412) 432-4000
(Recipient)

Mail Room Stamps

Carrier:

- ☒ FedEx
☐ USPS Registered
☐ Other _____

Classification Level:

- ☐ Unclassified-Not Sensitive
☒ Unclassified-Sensitive
☐ Confidential
☐ Secret

Special Services:

- ☐ Saturday Delivery ☐ Return Receipt (USPS only) ☐ Fragile Material* ☒ Perishable Material*
☐ Hazardous Material* ? (Packaged by: _____ Date: _____)
(Signature)

*asterisked items must be described below

Description of Contents:

Q1-Q3, LPOU Secondary, TEU Secondary

Declared Value \$ _____
(Required for International Shipments)

FBI File #:

279B-PG-77757

Lab #(s):

091022006 PO

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Tracking Information:

Point-of-Contact Information:

Name: _____ Ext. 8801
Unit: ECU Rm: 1267

Initials of Preparer: DGC

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Laboratory Division

LABORATORY WORK SHEET

To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
SA

Date: October 28, 2009

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Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757

Lab No.: 091022006 PO

Reference: Communication dated October 20, 2009

Your No.:

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

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Secondary Evidence Log

Lab #: 091022006 _____ Date: 1/5/2011 _____

K/Qs	Quantity	Description
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Title and Character of Case:

SPECTER, ARLEN
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Date Property Acquired: 01/26/2011
Source from which Property Acquired:
FBI LABORATORY

Anticipated Disposition: Acquired By: Case Agent: b6
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Description of Property: 1B 2
Date Entered

SECONDARY EVIDENCE LATENT PRINT OPERATIONS UNIT
LAB NUMBER 091022006
Q1 PHOTOGRAPHS OF DETECTED LATENT PRINTS QUANTITY 2

Barcode: E4747183 Location: ECR3 S 205 01/26/2011

Case Number: 279B-PG-77757
Owning Office: PITTSBURGH

S 205

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Case ID: 2790-PG-77757 IB: 2 Barcode: E4747183

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Martha Dixon Bldg
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(Signature)

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(Required for International Shipments)

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279B-PG-77757

Lab #(s):

091022006 PO

Tracking Information:

Point-of-Contact Information:

Name Ext. 8801
Unit: ECU Rm: 1267

Initials of Preparer: DGC

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Laboratory Division

LABORATORY WORK SHEET

To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
SA

Date: October 28, 2009

Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757

Lab No.: 091022006 PO

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Title and Character of Case:

SPECTER, ARLEN

Date Property Acquired: 02/09/2009
Source from which Property Acquired: UNKNOWN SUBJECT

Anticipated Disposition: Acquired By:

Case Agent:

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Description of Property:
1B 1

Date Entered

1. ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO SEN. SPECTER CONTAINING SINGLE SHEET OF PAPER. 2. APPROX 3 TBSP OF UNIDENTIFIED POWDER (THIS POWDER WAS FIELD SCREENED BY PG HMRT ON 2/9/09 AND IDENTIFIED BY PA STATE LABORATORY AS A NON-HAZARDOUS MATERIAL.)

Barcode: E4336666

Location: ECRI

Special Handling: OTHER,,,

ECR 3 S 205

HAZMAT:

05/11/2009

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Case Number: 279B-PG-77757
Owning Office: PITTSBURGH

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279B-PG-77757-1B1

Ref:	Date:	21Oct09	SHIPPING:	4.91
Dep:	Wgt:	1.0 LBS	SPECIAL:	0.37
			HANDLING:	0.00
	DV:	0.00	TOTAL:	5.28

Svcs: PRIORITY OVERNIGHT DSR
TRCK: 9554 4660 8711

Chain of Custody FD-192

Case ID . : 2796-PG-77757

Barcode . :

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Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

Reason:..Collected..... Date/Time:..2/9/09 3:00pm

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..TRANSPORT TO LAB..... Date/Time:..2/9/09 5PM

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..Recd from lab by mail..... Date/Time:..5-4-09 3P

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..To send to lab..... Date/Time:..10/21/09 2:05PM

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..for storage..... Date/Time:..10-21-09 2:05PM

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..Analysis FedX..... Date/Time:..10-21-09 2:06P

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..Storage/Rec'd Index 452503223464..... Date/Time:..1-26-11 10:15AM

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

Reason:..Destroyed Serial 19..... Date/Time:..6-6-11 10:30A

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

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Reason:..... Date/Time:.....

Accepted By:

Printed Name: Signature:

Reason:..... Date/Time:.....

WEAPONS CHECKED & CLEARED BY FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR

Printed Name: Signature: Date:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/07/2009

To: Pittsburgh

From: Pittsburgh

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Contact:

Approved By:

Drafted By:

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Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending) -7

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Synopsis: Submission of EC for late entry of evidence.

Details: Evidence for this case was acquired on February 9, 2009 at the Pittsburgh Offices of Senator Arlen Specter located at 425 Sixth Avenue, suite 1450, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. The nature of this hazmat evidence requires that it be delivered directly to the state Laboratory Response Network (LRN) facility located in Lionville, PA for testing. All tests were returned as negative for a bioterrorism agent and the evidence was returned to Writer on May 4, 2009. Writer was unable to place the evidence into the evidence room until it was returned.

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7-264 (7-7-06)
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Laboratory Division

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SA

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Lab #: 091022006 _____ Date: 1/5/2011 _____

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Title and Character of Case:

SPECTER, ARLEN
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Date Property Acquired: Source from which Property Acquired:

02/09/2009

UNKNOWN SUBJECT

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Anticipated Disposition: Acquired By:

Case Agent:

Description of Property:

Date Entered

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Barcode: E4336666 Location: ECR1
Special Handling: OTHER,,,

HAZMAT: 05/11/2009

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Owning Office: PITTSBURGH

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SPECTER, ARLEN
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Date Property Acquired: Source from which Property Acquired:

01/26/2011

FBI LABORATORY

Anticipated Disposition: Acquired By:

Case Agent:

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Description of Property:

Date Entered

1B 2

SECONDARY EVIDENCE LATENT PRINT OPERATIONS UNIT

LAB NUMBER 091022006

Q1 PHOTOGRAPHS OF DETECTED LATENT PRINTS QUANTITY 2

Barcode: E4747183

Location: ECR3

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Case Number: 279B-PG-77757
Owning Office: PITTSBURGH

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Title and Character of Case:

SPECTER, ARLEN
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Date Property Acquired: 01/26/2011
Source from which Property Acquired:
FBI LABORATORY

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Anticipated Disposition: Acquired By:

Case Agent:

Description of Property:
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Date Entered

SECONDARY EVIDENCE
LAB NUMBER 091022006 PO
Q2 ONE (1) SLIDE

Barcode: E4747184

Location: ECR3

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01/26/2011

FILE

Case Number: 279B-PG-77757
Owning Office: PITTSBURGH

279B-PG-77757-1B3

FBI URGENT REPORT

Precedence: IMMEDIATE

Date: 02/09/2009

To: Director
SIOC
CT Watch

From: Pittsburgh

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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Approved By: ASAC [REDACTED]

Drafted By: SA [REDACTED]

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Subject/Title/Case ID #: UNSUB;
POWDER THREAT LETTER
OFFICE OF SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-
VICTIM
279B-PG-NEW

Purpose/Synopsis: TERRORIST INCIDENT/THREAT

INITIAL
URGENT REPORT

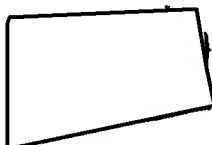
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279B-PG-77757-2V
319W-HQ-A1487699-PG-24

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From: Pittsburgh
Squad 9

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

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Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
02/09/2009
WMD

Synopsis: Report for collection of statistical accomplishments.

Details: On 02/09/2009, Writer, in his capacity as WMD Coordinator responded to a powder letter received at the offices of Senator Arlen Specter. Additional responding agencies included the City of Pittsburgh Fire, Hazmat and Police and US Postal Inspection Service and FBI Pittsburgh Hazardous Material Response Team.

279B-PG-77757-3

To: Pittsburgh From: Pittsburgh
Re: 279B-PG-77757, 02/11/2009

Accomplishment Information:

Number:
Type: WMD - RESPONSE TO WMD INCIDENT
ITU: WMD OPERATIONS
Claimed By:
SSN:
Name:
Squad: 9

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Number:
Type: WMD RELATED LIAISON
ITU: WMD OPERATIONS
Claimed By:
SSN:
Name:
Squad: 9

Number:
Type: WMD - ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO LOCAL/STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY
ITU: WMD OPERATIONS
Claimed By:
SSN:
Name:
Squad: 9

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(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

PG POST GAZETTE

Date: 2/10/09

Edition: REGION

Title: LETTER SENT TO SPECTER
OFFICECharacter:
or

Classification:

Submitting Office:

Indexing:

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scheduled in other neighborhoods, visit www.pittsburghforest.org/treetenders or call the number above.

Letter sent to Specter's office here not a danger

The U.S. Postal Service said a suspicious letter sent to Sen. Arlen Specter's Pittsburgh office is not dangerous.

The letter containing a white powdery substance was received yesterday at Mr. Specter's office Downtown.

Mr. Specter's office said a staffer opened the suspicious letter about noon. Pittsburgh police, the FBI and a hazardous materials team responded to the call about the powdery substance. The U.S. Postal Service said the substance turned out to be a food product.

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This article is retained to:

- ☒ show that this case has gained public notoriety;
- ☒ show what information - if any - has been released concerning this case;
- ☒ provide a basis from which to measure possible future public comment;
- ☐ other --

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DOWNTOWN

**Powder sent to Specter
believed to be harmless**

Preliminary indications are that a suspicious, powdery, white substance found Monday in a threatening letter mailed to Sen. Arlen Specter's office in the Regional Enterprise Tower on Sixth Avenue, Downtown, was not hazardous.

Staffers were not evacuated after the letter, which contained what a Specter spokeswoman called "a nonspecific threat," was received about 12:30 p.m. City police, the FBI, a hazardous materials crew and postal inspectors were called as a matter of protocol, the spokeswoman said.

More comprehensive tests will be conducted on the powder to determine exactly what it is. Investigators are trying to determine who sent the letter.

(Indicate page, name of
newspaper, city and state.)

PG TRIBUNE REVIEW

Date: 2/10/09

Edition: REGION

Title: POWDER SENT TO SPECTER

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office:

Indexing:

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This article is retained to:

- ☒ show that this case has gained public notoriety;
- ☒ show what information - if any - has been released concerning this case;
- ☒ provide a basis from which to measure possible future public comment;
- ☐ other -

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/05/2009

To: Pittsburgh

From: Pittsburgh

Squad 9

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending)

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Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
02/09/2009
WMD

Synopsis: Placement of Field Screening Matrix and Lab Report documentation to file.

Details: A completed FBI Field Screening Matrix verifies that the product accompanying the letter to Senator Specter was field screened by US Postal Inspector [REDACTED] using the Multi Rae, pH Paper, Ludlum, Biocheck and Hazmat ID Infrared reader. No readings of significance were observed and the product was packaged and identified as safe for transport.

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A copy of the completed FBI Field Screening Matrix accompanied the product to the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PADOH) Laboratory Response Network (LRN) and the original is attached to this communication.

PADOH LRN lab telephoned Writer as lab results were obtained and indicated negative results for testing by PCR, culture and TRF. Presence of Francisella tularensis, yersinia pestis, bacillus anthracis, Burkholderia, variola virus or ricin was not detected.

The original notices received from the PADOH LRN with lab results are attached to this communication for reference.

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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE UNIT**

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Field Screening Matrix Sheet

Location:	Pittsburgh, PA	Screening Team:	US POSTAL INSPECTOR
Date:	02/09/2009	Time:	2PM

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* = Dose rate on contact

Monitoring Instruments Used:

MULTI RAE = SAME AS BACK-GROUND

pH PAPER = NEUTRAL

LUDUM = SAME AS BACKGROUND.

BIOCHEM SCREEN (USPIS) = 0

FIELD INFRA RED = 95.187 SWEETENER
DEXTRSE
SACCHARIN

* $SAB = \text{SAME AS BACKGROUND}$

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Attn: Special Agent
3311 East Carson Street
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<u>Specimen Source</u>	<u>Test Done</u>	<u>Results</u>
Envelope/Letter	Culture	Brucella spp. not found

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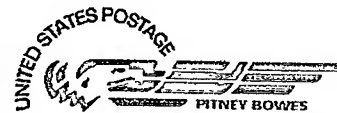
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Specimen Source

Test Done

Results

Envelope/Letter

Culture

Francisella tularensis not found
Yersinia pestis not found

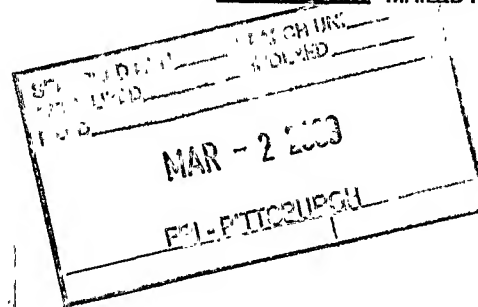
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Specimen Source

Envelope/Letter

Test Done

PCR

Results

Bacillus anthracis not detected; Brucella spp not detected;
Burkholderia spp not detected;
Francisella tularensis not detected;
Yersinia pestis not detected;
Variola virus not detected; Ricin not detected

Results obtained using LRN-approved procedure.

Preliminary report. Culture results to follow.

TRF for Ricin to follow.

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<u>Specimen Source</u>

Envelope/Letter

<u>Test Done</u>

TRF

<u>Results</u>

Ricin not detected

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Specimen Source

Envelope/Letter

Test Done

Culture

Results

Bacillus anthracis not found

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/07/2009

To: Pittsburgh

From: Pittsburgh

Squad 9

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending)

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Synopsis: Submission of EC for late entry of evidence.

Details: Evidence for this case was acquired on February 9, 2009 at the Pittsburgh Offices of Senator Arlen Specter located at 425 Sixth Avenue, suite 1450, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. The nature of this hazmat evidence requires that it be delivered directly to the state Laboratory Response Network (LRN) facility located in Lionville, PA for testing. All tests were returned as negative for a bioterrorism agent and the evidence was returned to Writer on May 4, 2009. Writer was unable to place the evidence into the evidence room until it was returned.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/20/2009

To: Laboratory

Attn: Evidence Control Center,
FBI Laboratory

From: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending)

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Synopsis: To submit a letter, envelope, and unidentified white powder received by Senator Arlen Specter for all appropriate laboratory examinations.

Package Copy: Being forwarded under separate cover are the following items:

One plastic storage bag containing white powder from letter. One plastic storage bag containing an envelope and an additional plastic storage bag containing a written letter.

Details: On February 9, 2009 FBI Pittsburgh was notified of the receipt of a letter containing an unidentified white powder at the office of Senator Arlen Specter located at 425 Sixth Street, Suite 1450, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. The letter had been handled by a secretary in Senator Specter's office when the white substance was observed. Approximately three tablespoons of an unidentified powder was enclosed in the business-size envelope. An FBI Hazardous Materials Response Unit Field Screening Matrix was performed on the product accompanying the letter and did not yield readings of significance. The product was also analyzed by the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PADOH) Laboratory Response Network (LRN). Lab results obtained indicated negative results for testing by PCR, culture and TRF. Presence of Francisella

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To: Laboratory From: Pittsburgh
Re: 279B-PG-77757, 10/20/2009

tularensis, yersinia pestis, bacillus anthracis, Burkholderia, variola virus or ricin was not detected.

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To: Laboratory From: Pittsburgh
Re: 279B-PG-77757, 10/20/2009

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Action)

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Conduct all appropriate laboratory examinations on
envelope, letter, and unidentified powder.

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Date:

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To: [redacted] (or appropriate HMRU Science Program employee)
From: SA [redacted] Pittsburgh Division
Phone: [redacted]
Fax: (412)432-4188

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Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757

Title: Unidentified Powder Letter
Senator Arlen Specter - Victim
02/09/2009
WMD

Included in this fax is a FBI HMRU Field Screening Matrix Sheet and analysis report by the LRN (PA Department of Health) for an unidentified powder letter. Please review the documents and return appropriate documentation needed to send the letter, envelope and associated powder to the FBI laboratory for all appropriate laboratory examinations.

Regards,

[redacted]

SA [redacted]

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Attn: Special Agent
3311 East Carson Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15203

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Specimen Source
Envelope/Letter

Test Done
Culture

Results
Francisella tularensis not found
Yersinia pestis not found

LEW lab cleared
ok to proceed

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FBI-Pittsburgh

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Pittsburgh, PA 15203

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Lab. No.

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Specimen Source

Test Done

Results

Envelope/Letter

Culture

Brucella spp. not found

Final report

LPN lab cleared
OK to proceed

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9B00022	021009	021009	021009

Specimen Source

Envelope/Letter

Test Done

PCR

Results

Bacillus anthracis not detected; Brucella spp not detected;
Burkholderia spp not detected;
Francisella tularensis not detected;
Yersinia pestis not detected;
Variola virus not detected; Ricin not detected

Results obtained using LRN-approved procedure.
Preliminary report. Culture results to follow.
TRF for Ricin to follow.

LRN 10/20/2009
OK to proceed

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Attn: Special Agent [REDACTED]

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Specimen Source

Test Done

Results

Envelope/Letter

TRF

Ricin not detected

LPV lab cleared
OK to proceed

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[REDACTED]

10/20/2009

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<u>Patient Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>County</u>
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Patient Number

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Lab. No.

Date Collected

Date Received

Date Reported

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Specimen Source

Test Done

Results

Envelope/Letter

Culture

Bacillus anthracis not found

Len lab cleaned

ok to proceed

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FBI Laboratory

2501 Investigation Parkway
Quantico, Virginia 22135To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
SA [redacted]

Date: November 3, 2009

Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757-10

Lab No.: 091022006 PO

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Reference: Communication dated October 20, 2009

Your No.:

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Date specimens received: October 22, 2009

The FBI Laboratory has received your request for examination. The accompanying items of evidence have been inventoried. The provided listing and description of the submitted items may be subject to change when the examination phase begins. If changes are made, they will be reflected in the Report of Examination issued by the examiner making the change.

Each examiner assigned to your request will issue a separate Report of Examination that will address the results of his/her expertise. For technical questions, contact the following unit(s) assigned to your case: Chemistry Unit - [redacted] Nuclear DNA Unit - [redacted]
[redacted] Latent Print Operations Unit [redacted] Questioned Documents Unit - [redacted]
Trace Evidence Unit - [redacted]

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If there is a change in the status of your investigation that would have an affect on the prioritization of your request, such as court deadlines, dismissal of charges, or guilty pleas; or if you have questions regarding the status of your case, contact Request Coordinator [redacted]
[redacted] at [redacted]

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Specimens:

- Q1 Envelope addressed to Sen. Arlen Specter (1B1, E4336666)
- Q2 Page beginning "Arlen Get out of Government;..." (1B1, E4336666)
- Q3 Unknown substance (1B1, E4336666)

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**FBI Laboratory**2501 Investigation Parkway
Quantico, Virginia 22135**REPORT OF EXAMINATION**To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
SA

Date: December 23, 2009

Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757

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Lab No.: 091022006 PO LH

Reference: Communication dated October 20, 2009

Your No.:

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Date specimens received: October 22, 2009

The items listed below were received in the Chemistry Unit:

- Q1 Envelope addressed to Sen. Arlen Specter (1B1, E4336666)
- Q2 Page beginning "Arlen Get out of Government;..." (1B1, E4336666)
- Q3 Unknown substance (1B1, E4336666)

This report contains the results of the chemical examinations.

Results of Examinations:

Specimen Q3 was a white solid powder that was consistent with mainly containing glucose. Additionally, saccharin was identified as a minor component within the Q3 powder. The combination of glucose (i.e, dextrose) and saccharin can be found in food supplements and artificial sweeteners (e.g., Sweet 'N Low).

Specimens Q1 and Q2 were not analyzed.



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The following techniques were used in the analysis of Q3: visual inspection, weighing, stereomicroscopy, Fourier-transform infrared spectrophotometry, gas chromatography/mass spectrometry, and time-of-flight mass spectrometry.

Remarks:

The final disposition of the evidence will be the subject of a separate communication.

For questions about the content of this report, please contact Examiner [redacted]
[redacted] at [redacted]

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For questions about the status of remaining forensic examinations, please contact
Request Coordinator [redacted] at [redacted]

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Chemistry Unit

This report contains the opinions/interpretations of the examiner(s) who issued the report.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/17/2010

To: Pittsburgh

Attn: ECT

From: Pittsburgh

Squad 9

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending)

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Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Synopsis: Request for destruction of evidence.

Details: The above referenced case is scheduled for closure pending destruction of all evidence in the case. Writer requests that the Evidence Control Technician destroy evidence for the above referenced case more specifically identified as item 1B1.

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To: Pittsburgh From: Pittsburgh
Re: 279B-PG-77757, 05/17/2010

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Action)

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AT PITTSBURGH, PA

Attention to the Evidence Control Technician: Please
destroy all evidence for the above referenced case.

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FBI Laboratory

2501 Investigation Parkway
Quantico, Virginia 22135

REPORT OF EXAMINATION

To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF

Date: July 8, 2010

Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757-13

Lab No.: 091022006 PO LN

Reference: Communication dated October 20, 2009

Your No.:

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Date specimens received: October 22, 2009

The following specimens were received in the Trace Evidence unit for hair and fiber examinations:

- Q1 Envelope addressed to Sen. Arlen Specter (1B1, E4336666)
- Q1.1 Stamp removed from Q1 (1B1, E4336666)
- Q2 Page beginning "Arlen Get out of Government;..." (1B1, E4336666)

This report contains the results of the trace evidence examinations (Hairs and Fibers).

Results of Examinations:

A blue wool fiber was found on specimen Q2. No other fibers were found on specimens Q1 through Q2.

No hairs were found on specimens Q1 through Q2.

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The specimens were examined visually using stereo-microscopy and comparison microscopy.

Remarks:

For questions about the content of this report, please contact [redacted] at [redacted]. For questions about the status of the remaining forensic examinations in this case, please contact the Evidence Control Unit Request Coordinator [redacted] at [redacted]. The submitted evidence will be returned under separate cover at the completion of all requested examinations.

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Trace Evidence Unit

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This report contains the opinions/interpretations of the examiner(s) who issued the report.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 9/10/2010

To: Pittsburgh

From: Pittsburgh

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Case ID #: 279B-PG-77757 (Pending)

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN APECTER-VICTIM
WMD/HMRT

Synopsis: Payment of undercover credit card fee.

Details: It is requested the attached FD-794 be approved for the yearly one time fee of \$35 for my undercover credit card.

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REPORT OF EXAMINATION

To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
SA

Date: October 19, 2010

Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757

Lab No.: 091022006 PO HB

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Reference: Communication dated October 20, 2009

Your No.:

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Date specimens received: October 22, 2009

The following specimens were received in the Questioned Documents Unit on July 9, 2010:

- Q1 Envelope addressed to Sen. Arlen Specter (1B1, E4336666)
- Q1.1 Stamp removed from Q1 (1B1, E4336666)
- Q2 Page beginning "Arlen Get out of Government;..." (1B1, E4336666)

This report contains the results of the questioned document examinations.

Results of Examinations:

No indented writing or watermarks were observed during the examination of Q1 and Q2 which might indicate their immediate source(s).

The Q1 envelope flap and stamp are manufactured to be self-adhesive.

Information from the submitted specimens was searched in the Anonymous Letter File with negative results. Appropriate entries have been added for future reference.

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The handwriting on specimens Q1 and Q2 may be suitable for comparison. If handwriting examinations are requested in the future it is suggested that comparable dictated and undictated known writing from any logical suspect(s) be obtained and submitted to this Laboratory. The dictated known writing should contain the same wording and format as the questioned writing. As each exemplar is completed, it should be removed from the writer(s) view. A sufficient quantity of exemplars should be obtained to account for natural variation in the writing. Undictated known writing is prepared during the normal course of business activity and may include personal correspondence, applications, and greeting cards.

Additional assessments and observations have been recorded for future reference.

Remarks:

The submitted specimens will be returned at a later date. For questions about the content of this report contact Document Examiner [redacted] at [redacted] For questions about the remaining forensic examinations contact Request Coordinator [redacted] at [redacted] Digital records of the submitted specimens are retained.

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Questioned Documents Unit

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[redacted] PG) (FBI)

From: [redacted] PG) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 28, 2010 12:21 PM
To: [redacted] (PG) (FBI)
Cc: [redacted] (PG) (OGA) [redacted] (PG) (OGA)
Subject: FW: PG-77757

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FYI, regarding letter to Specter's office

From: [redacted] (LD) (FBI)
Sent: Thursday, October 28, 2010 7:41 AM
To: [redacted] (PG) (FBI)
Subject: PG-77757

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SA [redacted]

I just wanted to let you the evidence in this case has arrived in the Latent Print Operations Unit and has been assigned to me. I will begin processing it shortly for latent prints. If there are any suspects, deadlines, or other case information that may be helpful to me please let me know. Thank you!

[redacted]
Physical Scientist/Forensic Examiner
FBI Laboratory - Latent Print Operations Unit
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Quantico, VA 22135

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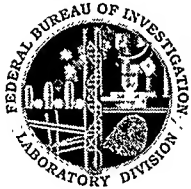
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REPORT OF EXAMINATION

To: Pittsburgh
Squad 9/JTTF
SA

Date: January 6, 2011

Case ID No.: 279B-PG-77757-17

Lab No.: 091022006 PO ABA

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Reference: Communication dated October 20, 2009

Your No.:

Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
WMD

Date specimens received: October 22, 2009

The items below were examined in the Latent Print Operations Unit:

- Q1 Envelope addressed to Sen. Arlen Specter (1B1, E4336666).
- Q1.1 Stamp removed from Q1 (1B1, E4336666)
- Q2 Page beginning "Arlen Get out of Government;..." (1B1, E4336666)

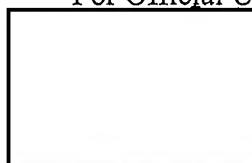
This report is being issued by the Latent Print Operations Unit.

Results of Examinations:

Two latent prints of value were detected on Q1. No latent prints of value were detected on the remaining specimens.

Automated latent fingerprint searches were conducted on one latent fingerprint, but no identification was effected. The latent fingerprint was added to the Unsolved Latent File (ULF) and you will be advised by a supplemental report if an identification is made.

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The remaining latent fingerprint does not meet the necessary criteria for automated fingerprint searches.

Methods:

Items of evidence submitted to the Latent Print Operations Unit for examination may be examined visually, examined with various light sources, and/or processed with chemicals and powders to detect the presence of latent friction ridge prints. The specific sequence of examinations and processes depends upon the nature of the evidence.

Friction ridge print examinations are conducted using the Analysis, Comparison, Evaluation, and Verification methodology (ACE-V), which includes an assessment of the quantity and quality of the information present. The steps of ACE-V are applied to each examination as appropriate.

Analysis is the assessment of a friction ridge print to determine if sufficient reliable details are present to conduct a comparison with another print and to reach an identification conclusion. If these conditions are met, the print is determined to be "of value".

Comparison is the direct side-by-side observation of friction ridge prints of value to determine whether or not the information in two prints is in agreement.

Evaluation is the formulation of a conclusion based on the information gathered during the analysis and comparison of the friction ridge prints.

Conclusions that can be reached are as follows:

- Identification - the determination that there is sufficient quality and quantity of detail in agreement to conclude that two friction ridge prints originated from the same source.
- Exclusion - the determination that there is sufficient quality and quantity of detail in disagreement to conclude that two friction ridge prints did not originate from the same source.
- Inconclusive - the determination that corresponding areas of friction ridge prints are absent and/or unreliable and therefore cannot be identified or excluded.

Verification is the independent application of the analysis, comparison, and evaluation phases of the ACE-V methodology to a friction ridge print by another examiner.

Interpretations:

The presence of a friction ridge print on an item of evidence indicates contact was made between the source and the item of evidence. The presence of a friction ridge print alone does not necessarily indicate the significance of the contact nor the time frame during which the contact occurred.

Due to the many factors involved in the deposition of a friction ridge print, neither the absence of a friction ridge print on evidence nor the exclusion of a friction ridge print with a given source, disassociate that source from having touched the evidence.

Remarks:

For questions about the content of this report, please contact Physical Scientist/Forensic Examiner [REDACTED]

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For questions about the status of remaining forensic examinations, please contact Request Coordinator [REDACTED]

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The specimens and photographs of the detected latent prints are being returned under separate cover. Documentation supporting the opinions expressed in this report, including images of latent prints of value, is retained in the FBI Laboratory files

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Latent/Print Operations Unit

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This report contains the opinions/interpretations of the examiner(s) who issued the report.

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Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2011 3:18 PM
To: [REDACTED] (PG) (FBI)
Subject: DT Case File Review

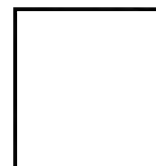
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Case File	Case Title	Case Agent	Date of Review
100T-PG-77948	Sons of Liberty		10/5/2010
174C-PG-78896	Erie Int Airport		1/3/2011
174A-PG-78844			1/3/2011
174C-PG-78621			10/27/2010
174C-PG-78255			10/27/2010
266T-PG-78888			10/27/2010
266O-PG-78695			11/23/2010
266O-PG-78685			11/23/2010
266K-PG-78638			11/23/2010
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266N-PG-77775			10/5/2010
266N-PG-77674			1/10/2011
266T-PG-77318			1/4/2011
266T-PG-76813			11/23/2010
266N-PG-76656			10/27/2010
266T-PG-75752			10/5/2010
266T-PG-74672			1/5/2011
266I-PG-71528	Bob Ferrando Lincoln Mercury		1/4/2011
266I-PG-71424	Mindek Brothers Fur Farm		1/4/2011
266T-PG-71373	Bunker Shot		10/5/2010
266I-PG-70889	Earth Liberation Front		1/4/2011
266I-PG-70453	American Earth Liberation Front		1/4/2011
266N-PG-67825			10/5/2010
279B-PG-77757	Arlen Specter		10/23/2010
279B-PG-77559	Anthrax Threat Letter		11/23/2010
279B-PG-77558	Powder Threat Letters		12/1/2010
279B-PG-75964	Fayette State Correctional Facility		11/30/2010

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/18/2011

To: Pittsburgh

From: Pittsburgh
Squad 9

Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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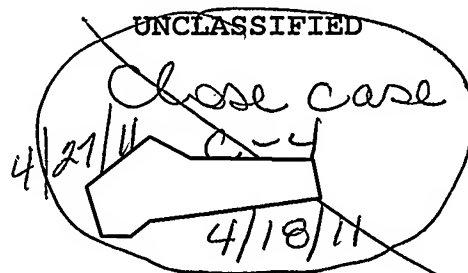
Title: UNIDENTIFIED POWDER LETTER
SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER-VICTIM
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Synopsis: Request to close investigation and destroy evidence.

Details: Lab results from the FBI Laboratory were returned to the Pittsburgh office and identified the white powder contained in the envelope sent to Senator Arlen Specter as consistent with a saccharin or sweetener based product similar to the commonly available "Sweet and Low" product.

The letter did not contain language that could be identified as overtly threatening. The only language written in the letter read: "Arlen, Get out of Government; or you will be removed."

In consideration of the facts that the powder enclosed in the letter was identified as a non-hazardous material, no additional such letters have been received in the Senator's office and the United States Postal Inspection Service and the FBI have been unable to develop any information contributing to the identification of the sender of the letter, it is requested that this investigation be closed. Additionally it is ordered that all evidence in this case consisting of items 1B1, 1B2 and 1B3 be destroyed by the Evidence Control Technician.



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To: Pittsburgh From: Pittsburgh
Re: 279B-PG-77757, 04/18/2011

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Action)

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AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Request that ECT destroy evidence as directed in this communication.

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